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In re Application of: Patapoutian, Ara et al.

Group Art Unit: N/A

Serial No.: 09/924,064

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Improving data storage capacity of

a data storage media

### Response to Notice of Missing Parts

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** 

Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir/Madam:

Applicant hereby responds to the Notice of Missing Parts, dated August 21, 2001. Enclosed please find:

- Declarations (3 pages); (1)
- Substitute drawings (8 pages); (2)
- A check for \$1,570, covering \$130 surcharge fee, and \$1,440 for a 4-(3) month extension of time to respond (please see below); and
  - Copy of Notice of Missing parts. (4)

# PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a))

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a))

Applicant herewith petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks under 35 C.F.R. 1.136 (a) to extend the time for response to the Notice of Missing Parts, dated Aug. 21, 2001 in the above referenced patent application, for four months from Oct. 21, 2001 to Feb. 21, 2002.

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Dated: Feb. 21, 2002

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Respectfully Submitted,

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

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#### NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

#### Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- · The oath or declaration is missing. A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
  - Drawings must be reasonably free from erasures and must be free from alterations, overwritings, interlineations, folds, and copy marks.

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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